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THE DINNER HORN.

When I was young and full of vim I labored in my father's field, and I have heard it said by him that none a hoe could better wield; beneath my care the pumpkins thrived, tall grew the turnips and the corn; and when the noon hour had arrived, my father blew the dinner horn. Talk of the music of these spheres and all the sounds inspiring men! They would have jarred upon my ears, had they come floating to me then! I've heard great singers carole through notes of joy and notes of scorn, but nothing ever stirred by soul like father's old tin dinner horn. I've heard the noble organ peal, and thought it heavenly and grand; I've heard march, waltz, Virginia reel, performed by Sousa's bully band; I've heard the great Caruso trot out songs sublime as e'er were born, but nothing ever hit the spot like father's old tin dinner horn. A crank on music, I have heard all o'er the world, to hear the best; the masters of all lands have failed to give my yearning spirit rest. When on their instruments they pound or beat or blow, my soul forlorn but reaches back to hear the sound of father's old tin dinner horn.

WALT MASON.

Roosevelt and Taft have had abundant opportunities to do what they now propose in the way of reform. Why haven't they done it before. The people will try Wilson one round at least.

MOTHER O' MINE.

If I were hanged on the highest hill,
I know whose love would follow me still;
Mother o' mine,
If I were drowned in the deepest sea,
I know whose tears would come down to me;
Mother o' mine,
If I were damned of body and soul,
I know whose prayers would make me whole;
Mother o' mine,
—Rudyard Kipling.

WHEN THE SERPENT ENTERS EDEN.

Commenting editorially upon the Sneed-Boyce tragedy, the Kansas City Journal of recent issue says that the impulse which prompts the men of the country—particularly of the south—to take the law into their own hands and slay the destroyers of homes, is a relic of the barbarous age. The Journal styles it the Sneed-Boyce feud and says that the same spirit of barbarism throbs in the breast of Sneed, or any other man who rights a wrong of this kind as Sneed has done, that pulsates in the breasts of the mountaineers of the Kentucky or the Virginia feud district. No man, says this writer, has the moral right to redress a wrong, but that his only recourse is the recourse given by the law.

Had the words which appear in the editorial of the Journal emanated from some other source, had they dripped from the pen of a writer hailing from one of the cold-blooded states where the crushing of the head of the human reptile is just as much a murder as though the slain had been one of the most upright and irreproachable of men, there would have been no cause for wonder, but coming from a writer and appearing in the columns of a paper published in the old state of Missouri—a state where the honor of woman is sacred and its protection man's first law, one can but stop in amazement at the spirit which prompted the writer to say, "Let the law take its course."

When a child plays with edged tools he may expect to be hurt. When a man deliberately violates the laws of God and man he must expect a swift and deadly punishment. When the serpent enters the Eden of a man, and a neighbor who has trusted him and

wrecks that Eden, he does so knowing that he is committing a crime, which, in the eyes of all just men, places him beyond the pale of the law.

The newspapers of the south and the men of the south do not believe in the law's violation, nor do they advocate it, but there are offenses which the law is too cold-blooded and calculating to reach. The law which fails to discriminate between the crushing of the head of the viper and the snuffing out of the sparrow's innocent life, cannot properly act in cases where the life of the woman whom some good man has enthroned in his heart has been wrecked and ruined.

Since the days when indecency of public speech was first tabooed certain words have been kept out of the printed languages of all nations. Because the natural modesty of our lexicographers keep these words from the pages of our dictionaries they do not cease to be words—they do not cease to convey meaning when spoken, but they remain just as much a part of the language to which they belong as though they were printed in letters of scarlet upon every page of every dictionary. So it is with the "Unwritten Law." In the hearts, the minds and the souls of every man who loves a woman the right exists to visit punishment upon the head of the destroyer of that woman and as long as the world revolves, as long as the day follows night and each coming season steps in the footprints of its predecessor, as long as the Creator places burning, throbbing hearts in the breasts of the "children of men," in place of stones, just so long will the juries find according to the evidence and the courts interpret the "unwritten law."

One of the saddest sights upon which mortal eye can rest is that of the fallen woman as she walks the streets shunned by all of her own sex. A sight to make angels weep and bring the blush of shame to the cheek of the most hardened man of the world, is that of the woman "who loved not wisely but too well," drifting rapidly upon the breakers of a life of sin, cast off by the world, adrift from the man who gave her his name and his life, separated from the children she bore him—the little ones created in God's own image—"flesh of her flesh and bone of her bone." Yes, drifting upon the breakers of death, avoided, shunned and forgotten, while the man who caused her destruction, unpunished by a cold and calculating law, walks upright upon the face of the earth as did the first serpent when the first home was ruined in the days of the creation.—Ardmore.

The quality of the new corn that is finding its way to market here indicates the crop will be better than anticipated.

There are still a large number of boys and girls of school are not attending any of the schools in Vinita. There ought to be some way of running them in.

Craig county will take care of its democracy this year by electing the entire ticket. If all the other counties will do like wise the state will have no room for complaint.

When the bootleggers go to killing officers in defense of their illicit business it is time for all good citizens to sit up and take notice. The end of the unlawful sale of liquor in Oklahoma ought to be easily in sight.

Mrs. Geo. W. Clark left on the Frisco limited for Claremore today to visit Ed Sanders who was shot by bootleggers near Caney yesterday.

State of Oklahoma, Craig County. In District Court.
Nellie May Cormicle, Plaintiff vs. Thomas C. Cormicle, Defendant.
No. 1219.
Said defendant Thomas C. Cormicle will take notice that he has been sued in the above named Court for upon divorce and must answer the petition filed therein by said plaintiff on or before the 28th day of October A. D. 1912, or said petition will be taken as true and a judgment for said plaintiff in said action for divorce and alimony, will be rendered accordingly.
Dated this 14th day of September, 1912.

DAVENPORT & RYE,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.
LEE R. MITCHELL, District Clerk.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.
By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered, issued out of the District Court of Craig County, Oklahoma, in an action in said courts wherein Charles E. Lahman is plaintiff and Charles G. Schneider and Rosina S. Schneider are defendants, I will, on the 30th day of September, 1912, between the hours of two o'clock p. m., and four o'clock p. m., of the said day, at Court House door in the County aforesaid(offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, the following described property, to-wit: All of Lot Six (6) in Block Thirty-two (32) in the City of Vinita, Oklahoma, according to the United States survey thereof approved by the Secretary of the Interior May 10, 1902,

together with all and singular, the tenements hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

Said property having been levied on as the property of the said Charles G. Schneider and Rosina S. Schneider, and taken on execution in favor of Charles E. Lahman.

Dated this 30th day of August, 1912.
H. E. RIDENHOUR,
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